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Advisory Announcement

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SOUTHEAST ALASKA SALMON PURSE SEINE FISHERY ANNOUNCEMENT

District 1

The following area will be open to purse seining from 5:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m., Thursday, July 22, 2021:

Section 1-F: will be open south of a line from the northernmost tip of Cone Point at 55°14.91′ N lat, 131°19.04′ W long to the northernmost tip of Harbor Point at 55°13.04′ N lat, 131°25.17′ W long to a point on the western shore of Gravina Island at 55°14.91′ N lat (the latitude of the northernmost tip of Cone Point) then due west to the District 2 boundary with the following restrictions:

<u>Boca de Quadra</u>: will be closed south of a line from Quadra Point at 55°05.15′ N lat, 130°59.10′ W long to Slate Island Light at 55°05.29′ N lat, 131°03.17′ W long, east of a line from Slate Island Light to Black Rock Light at 55°01.42′ N lat, 131°03.59′ W long, and north of a line from Black Rock Light to a point on the mainland shore at 55°01.40′ N lat, 131°00.20′ W long;

Nichols Passage: will be closed north of the latitude of the southernmost tip of Dall Head at 55°07.74′ N lat.

District 2

The following area will be open to purse seining from 5:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m., Thursday, July 22, 2021:

District 2: will be open south of the latitude of the **northernmost tip of Windy Point at 55°13.10'** N lat with the following restrictions:

Cholmondeley Sound and contiguous waters: all waters will be closed;

Kendrick Bay: will be closed west of 131°59.00′ W long;

McLean Arm: will be closed west of 131°57.80′ W long;

<u>Moira Sound</u>: will be closed west of the longitude of the easternmost entrance of Menefee Anchorage at 132°00.35′ W long.

District 3

The following areas will be open to purse seining from 5:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m., Thursday, July 22, 2021:

Section 3-A: will be open south of the latitude of the northernmost tip of Webster Point at 54°58.28′ N lat with the following restrictions:

<u>Dall Island Shore</u>: will be closed west of a line from the southernmost tip of Reef Point at 55°03.62′ N lat, 132°58.33′ W long, to Shoe Island Light at 54°57.10′ N lat, 132°44.78′ W long, to the westernmost tip of Datzkoo Point at 54°43.80′ N lat, 132°41.83′ W long;

Klakas Inlet, Hunter Bay, and contiguous waters: will be closed in all waters north and east of a line running from a point near Ruth Cutoff located at 54°54.40′ N lat, 132°24.77′ W long to the southernmost tip of Klakas Island at 54°53.25′ N lat, 132°20.35′ W long to a point at 54°49.68′ N lat, 132°20.50′ W long;

Kassa Inlet: will be closed east of the longitude of Kassa Point at 132°31.62′ W long.

Section 3-B: will be open west of a line from Cape Lynch at 55°46.87′ N lat, 133°42.10′ W long to the northernmost tip of Point Animas at 55°32.06′ N lat, 133°27.37′ W long to the southwesternmost tip of Point Arboleda at 55°19.10′ N lat, 133°27.81′ W long with the following restriction:

<u>Port Asumcion:</u> will be closed north and west of a line from Point Cosinas at 55°21.80′ N lat, 133°30.64′ W long to a point west of Point Maria located at 55°22.04′ N lat, 133°30.26′ W long.

District 4

The following area will be open to purse seining from 5:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m., Thursday, July 22, 2021:

District 4: will be open.

District 7

Section 7-A: will be closed.

District 12

The following area will be open to purse seining from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Thursday, July 22, 2021:

Section 12-A: will be open in the following area:

Admiralty Island shoreline: will be open within 0.5 nautical miles (nmi) of the Admiralty Island shoreline south of the latitude of Hanus Reef at $58^{\circ}08.23'$ N lat, and north of the latitude of Point Marsden at $58^{\circ}03.40'$ N lat.

The following area will be open to purse seining from 5:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m., Thursday, July 22, 2021:

Section 12-A: will be open in the following area:

Point Augusta: will be open within 0.5 nmi of the Chichagof Island shoreline east of a line from a marker at 58°02.44′ N lat, 134°57.50′ W long to a point at 58°03.00′ N lat, 134°57.85′ W long, south of 58°03.00′ N lat, and north of the latitude of a regulatory marker at 58°01.63′ N lat (located 1 nmi south of Point Augusta Light).

District 13

The following area will be open to purse seining from 5:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m., Thursday, July 22, and from 5:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m., Friday, July 23, 2021:

Section 13-B: Redoubt Bay, Kanga Bay, and contiguous waters will be open east of 135°22.76' W long.

District 14

The following areas will be open to purse seining from 5:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m., Thursday, July 22, 2021:

Section 14-B: will be open south of the latitude of Crist Point at 58°10.27′ N lat;

Section 14-C: will be open within 1.0 nmi of the Chichagof Island shoreline west of a line from Neck Point at 58°07.07′ N lat, 135°19.24′ W long, to Spasski Island at 58°07.99′ N lat, 135°16.35′ W long.

<u>Chinook Salmon Landing Restrictions</u>: All Chinook salmon harvested in the Deep Inlet THA must be retained and may be sold. For all other fishing areas, Chinook salmon 28 inches or greater in length may NOT be retained and Chinook salmon less than 28 inches may be retained but not sold. These restrictions will be in effect until at least July 31, 2021.

Fishermen, tenders, and processors are reminded that all salmon, including steelhead, commercially harvested but retained for personal use and not sold, must be reported on fish tickets at the time of delivery.

To date, only 786 sockeye salmon have been counted at the Hugh Smith Lake weir. The current weir count projects to a total escapement of 4,700 sockeye salmon, well below the optimal escapement goal range of 8,000–18,000 sockeye salmon. The department will continue to monitor the sockeye salmon escapement as the season progresses and will take management actions in District 1 through statistical week 33.

The next seine announcement will be issued on Friday, July 23, 2021.

Under Alaska's Health Advisories 1, 2, 3, and 4, commercial fishing is an Essential Business and is part of Alaska's Essential Services and Critical Infrastructure. Commercial fishermen should ensure that all travel and other activities in support of commercial fishing operations follow protocols in Alaska COVID-19 Health Advisories. COVID-19 Health Advisories may be found here: https://covid19.alaska.gov/health-advisories/.

The Emergency Order corresponding with this announcement is EO 1S3121.

Southeast Alaska Purse Seine Harvest Estimates Statistical Week 30

Preliminary Estimates Compiled July 20, 2021

	NUMBERS OF SALMON						
Area	Chinook	Sockeye	Coho	Pink	Chum	Total	Boats
District 1	0	3,800	3,000	520,000	26,000	552,800	82
District 2	0	1,300	2,000	52,000	39,000	94,300	27
District 3	0	400	1,000	6,700	13,000	21,100	10
District 4	0	12,500	9,000	114,000	18,000	153,500	40
District 7	0	300	50	40,000	15,000	55,350	24
Point Augusta	0	900	500	57,000	1,900	60,300	14
Total	0	18,000	15,550	789,700	112,900	821,700	170

	FISH PER BOAT						
Area	Chinook	Sockeye	Coho	Pink	Chum	Total	
District 1	0	46	37	6,341	317	6,741	
District 2	0	48	74	1,926	1,444	3,493	
District 3	0	40	100	670	1,300	2,110	
District 4	0	313	225	2,850	450	3,838	
District 7	0	13	2	1,667	625	2,306	
Point Augusta	0	64	36	4,071	136	4,307	

Section 13-B, Southeast Cove and Thomas Bay THAs: Confidential.

Deep Inlet THA harvest to date: 2,700 Chinook and 59,700 chum salmon.

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